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Rio Grande Natural Area Commission meets June 17 in Alamosa

ALAMOSA, Colo. – The Rio Grande Natural Area Commission will meet from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on June 17 at the Rio Grande Water Conservation District, 10900 East U.S. Highway 160, Alamosa, Colo.

The meeting is open to the public with a comment period scheduled for 10:15 a.m. Agenda topics include:

- Reviewing public comments from the draft management plan
- Presentation from Judy Barnes about horses in the area

The Rio Grande Natural Area was established on Oct. 12, 2006, to conserve, restore, and protect the natural, historic, cultural, scientific, scenic, wildlife, and recreational resources of the 33-mile stretch of the Rio Grande River between the southern end of the Alamosa Wildlife Refuge and the Colorado-New Mexico state border. The Natural Area encompasses 5,900 acres of private land, and 2,900 acres of BLM lands within ¼ mile of the river's banks.

The Rio Grande Natural Area Commission is a nine-member group created to advise the Secretary of Interior with respect to the Natural Area and to develop a non-binding management plan for the non-federal land within the Natural Area.

For more information about the RGNA log on to:

http://www.blm.gov/co/st/en/fo/slvfo/rio_grande_natural.html

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